

# House Study Bill 603 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON SCHULTZ)

## A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to vital records by increasing fees for
- 2 certified copies of marriage certificates.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 144.46, subsection 2, Code 2014, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. Fees collected by the state registrar and by the county  
4 registrar on behalf of the state under this section shall  
5 be deposited in the general fund of the state and the vital  
6 records fund established in section 144.46A in accordance with  
7 an apportionment established by rule. Fees collected by the  
8 county registrar pursuant to section 331.605, subsection 1,  
9 ~~paragraph~~ paragraphs "f" and "og", shall be deposited in the  
10 county general fund.

11 Sec. 2. Section 331.605, subsection 1, paragraphs f and g,  
12 Code 2014, are amended to read as follows:

13 f. A county fee of four dollars for a certified copy of a  
14 birth record, or death record, ~~or marriage certificate.~~

15 g. For filing an application for the license to marry,  
16 thirty-five dollars, which includes payment for one certified  
17 copy of the original certificate of marriage, to be issued  
18 following filing of the original certificate of marriage, ~~four~~  
19 fourteen dollars of which shall be retained by the county  
20 pursuant to paragraph "~~f~~" "og". For issuing an application  
21 for an order of the district court authorizing the validation  
22 of a license to marry before the expiration of three days  
23 from the date of issuance of the license, five dollars. The  
24 district court shall authorize the early validation of a  
25 marriage license without the payment of any fees imposed in  
26 this paragraph upon showing that the applicant is unable to pay  
27 the fees.

28 Sec. 3. Section 331.605, subsection 1, Code 2014, is amended  
29 by adding the following new paragraph:

30 NEW PARAGRAPH. og. A county fee of fourteen dollars for a  
31 certified copy of a marriage certificate.

32 EXPLANATION

33 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
34 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

35 This bill increases the fee for a certified copy of a

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1 marriage certificate from \$4 to \$14. The bill authorizes the  
2 county to retain \$14 rather than \$4 of the \$35 fee for filing an  
3 application for a marriage license.